

HCS HB 132 -- FUEL TAX EXEMPTION FOR WATERCRAFT (Brattin)

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: Standing Committee on Ways and Means

This bill authorizes an exemption for motor fuel used exclusively for watercraft in this state from the motor fuel tax and any state or local sales and use taxes. No taxes can be imposed or levied on any motor fuel delivered to any marina within this state that sells the fuel solely for use in any watercraft and is not accessible to other motor vehicles.

Currently, a taxpayer must pay the motor fuel tax with the purchase of the fuel and then request a refund of the tax from the Department of Revenue within one year of the purchase. The bill specifies that any motor fuel distributor who delivers motor fuel to a marina in this state for use solely in any watercraft at a location other than a Missouri marina may claim the exemption by filing a refund claim for the fuel tax paid from the Department of Revenue. Currently, the sales and use tax only applies to fuel not subject to the motor fuel tax.